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# MEDIA RELEASE

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## Ziegenfelder Fire Update

The Wheeling Fire Department's Bureau of Fire Investigations has preliminarily determined Thursday's fire at Ziegenfelder's to be **accidental**. Investigators believe the fire started from a heating device being used to unthaw metal piping.

Firefighters were dispatched to the 18<sup>th</sup> Street side of the building shortly after 10:30 a.m. The wind, single digit temperatures and the inside fire components made the situation challenging.

In addition to most of Wheeling Fire Department's personnel, Cumberland Trail and Martins Ferry Fire Department's also assisted with the incident.

No one was injured in the fire and all employees inside the business were able to escape unharmed.

The Wheeling Fire Department wants to thank the City of Wheeling's Operation Division, Police Department, Ohio County Sheriff's Office, the Wheeling-Ohio County Emergency Management Agency, Wheeling Salvation Army and various other volunteer organizations who assisted with the fire.

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